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JIM HARRIS EPA SITE MANGER SOMERS TIE PLANT HELENA, MT.

RE: Reply to information packet mailed November 9, 1992.

Dear Jim,

Thank you for sending a copy of RETEC's work progress at the site for September and October, 1992. The report provided answers to questions concerning recent site activities.

A copy of the original Tie Plant Treating Report file will be a satisfactory replacement. This file will become a reference source in a future book on the history of the plant and community. I agree that the original copy of this file should be retained with the Sites records.

One item that should be discussed at the next meeting with our group is chromated zinc chloride. After reading RETEC's September and October, 1992 progress report, my attention is drawn to the high zinc residuals discovered and excavated in Figures 1-3. I'm curious as why residuals of chromated zinc chloride were not detected.

Sincerely,

Morey D. Grove

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